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GAY PRIDE PARADE

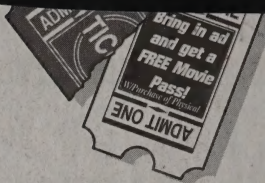
Rivera's views don't represent majority

Shame on Mayor Lionel Rivera for not issuing a proclamation of support for this year's Colorado Springs gay pride parade. Linda Percy's letter states that "we are tired of having the gay population try to push same-sex marriage upon us and promote their lifestyle to the rest of us" ("Rivera was right to stand up for his principles," Letters, July 9). Not true, Linda; gays could care less what you think. We would like only to have equal rights (or as many like Percy put it, special rights) as American citizens. Pretty simple, eh?

I believe Vice Mayor Richard Skorman was correct in stating that Rivera's view does not representative the majority of the population. I am ashamed our mayor indulges in discrimination.

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